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# PICTURES OF PLUTO

## Pictures of Pluto – level 2



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Pluto is a **dwarf** planet at the end of the solar system, and an astronomer discovered it in 1930.

However, Pluto remained a mystery for **decades** because it is 7.2 billion kilometres from the earth. That was, until last week when a NASA **probe** flew by the planet. It took great images – you can see even structures smaller than a mile across.



# VOCABULARIES

**Dwarf** /dwɔːrf/

1.6 kilometres

**Mystery** /'mɪs.tə.ri/

Moving images

**Decade** /dek'eɪd/

10 years

**Structure** /'strʌk.tʃə/

arrangement

**Probe** /prəʊb/

small

**Animation** /,æn.ə'meɪ.ʃən/

strange/unknown thing

**Mile** /maɪl/

A space craft with no people in it

# QUICK CHECK

- Where is the dwarf planet located?
- When was it discovered and who discovered it?
- Why did Pluto remain a mystery for decades?
- Until when did the planet become a mystery?
- What did the probe that NASA sent do?
- How great were the images taken by the probe?

# CONVERSATION QUESTIONS

- What do you think about this news article?
- Is Pluto an amazing or a boring planet in your opinion? Why did you say so?
- What do you think about the technology that we have now-a-days like NASA's probe which was mentioned in the article?
- If you have this kind of technology, what will you do with it? What is your reason behind doing so?
- Do you think it is worth the money spent for such technology? Why?